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TOPIC	Military Information from Parchim			
EVALUATION	25X1X	PLACE OBTAINED		25X1A
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REMARKS				

SOURCE [REDACTED] 25X1X

1. Between 2 and 9 September 1953, the Neue Kaserne in Parchim was occupied as previously by a rear detail of about 250 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and motor transport insignia. Source did not observe any training activity. [REDACTED] 25X1

2. Between 2 and 9 September, the Alte Kaserne in Parchim was occupied by a rear detail of about 150 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Source did not observe any training activity. [REDACTED] 25X1

The Neue Heimat settlement and the adjoining Altersheim (home for aged people) were vacant. These two installations were surrounded by a board fence. Timber which belonged to the DHZ (German Trade Central) was stored near the entrance of the installation and was guarded by civilians. However, the installations had not yet been relinquished by the Soviet Army. Officers and troops stationed in the two barracks installations mentioned were off duty on Sundays. On 6 September, about 100 soldiers were observed in Parchim.

3. On 30 August, the Alte Kaserne appeared to be only lightly occupied. Fourteen soldiers engaged in a game of soccer. [REDACTED] 25X1

The Neue Kaserne was also only lightly occupied. Source did not observe any training activity. About 25 to 30 individual soldiers were seen. [REDACTED] 25X1

Comment. According to this information, the units of the 18th Mecz Div stationed in Parchim can be carried at the Wittstock training grounds until 9 September. [REDACTED] 25X1

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